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Engagement is Announced

Popular Couple Are to Wed
Soon.

Between the 16th and 21st copious rains visited Makawao district, the rainfall measuring from three to ten inches except in the Kula section where Omoapio and Waiakoa were blessed with only one inch while farther out in the Kamaole region none at all was measured.

During the early part of Saturday evening there was a brief electric display in the atmosphere, followed the next day by a slight snowfall along the topmost ridge of Haleakala.

The district was suffering from a drought and the downpour was most needed. Haleakala Ranch was obliged to keep men continually working at the pumps at the head waters of its pipe line near "Ukulele" on Haleakala.

The rain was such a welcome one that some of the Makawao people called it a "Santa Claus rain."

On December 1st, Tam Yau retired from the firm of Tam Yau & Co. which has conducted a general store in Makawao for twenty-five years past. He sold his interest to his partner Tam Sing, who will continue the business.

Some of the farmers of Makawao tempted by the high price of flour are thinking of planting small areas of wheat thus reviving an old local industry. One man proposes to put in ten acres. There is also some talk about establishing a little mill though nothing definite has been decided as yet.

The Pukalani Dairy & Pineapple Co. has now in all 70 acres under cultivation at Lilikoi, Makawao. Their plan is to put in 25 acres of pines every year.

Considerable grading and terracing is being done around Paia Mill, it being the evident plan of the manager to have the vicinity of the mill as green and beautiful as possible.

The exterior of the new plantation hospital of the M. A. Co. at Paia is now completed and is quite imposing.

The engagement of Miss Ethel Smith of Hamakua to Mr. E. C. Mellor, bookkeeper of the Haiku Fruit and Packing Co., has been recently announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Fawcett of California are new residents of Kaupakalua. Mr. Fawcett is bookkeeper of the winery.

W. F. Cole, manager of the Kaupakalua Wine & Liquor Co. brought back with him recently from California a new Auburn automobile, the only one on the island. The first "Hudson" machine ever seen on Maui made its appearance at Paia on Tuesday.

Deputy Sheriff Edgar Morton has recently completed a new residence in Makawao near "Brewer's."

Several of the Russian laborers recently established at Keauhou have departed for California.

The W. O. Aikens, are at "Idle-wilde" on Haleakala.

It is reported that the Kula pipe line will not be finished until November, 1910.

Many miles of cane tassels can now be seen on central Maui.

Xmas gobblers are selling in Kula at \$4.00 each.

An Important Decision

Koki is Set Free by Judge
Woodruff.

Honolulu, December 18.—Federal Judge Woodruff this morning as his last official act as a Judge of the U. S. District Court of Hawaii decided in the Moses Koki case, wherein Koki is charged with embezzling Waimanalo postoffice funds, that Koki's trial and acquittal last summer upon a similar charge was in law and in fact an acquittal of this and the five other indictments for embezzlement now standing against him. This decision sets forth a new legal principle concerning embezzlement.

Its effect is to decide, that although the prosecution may indict, try, and convict an alleged embezzler merely upon suspicious circumstances sufficient to convince the jury beyond a reasonable doubt that he must have embezzled some trust funds, nevertheless, if the prosecution chooses or is obliged to resort to a trial based upon suspicious circumstances, like shortages alone, instead of upon specific items of embezzlement, one trial covers all shortages or suspicious circumstances which cannot be clearly shown to be separable from one another.

Thus, if the government could have proven a thousand specific cases in which Koki took money order funds for his own use, there could be a thousand indictments or counts against him, but if no one of the specific cases could be determined or shown he must be tried once and upon all of the shortages, delays, and other suspicious circumstances which can be placed before the jury.

Judge Woodruff decided that the constitutional guaranty against being placed more than once in jeopardy for the same offense does not mean that a man may be tried a second time for the same offense merely because it is believed the jury reached a wrong verdict in the previous trial or because the prosecution believes it can put up a better case in a second or later trial. The Constitution provided against second jeopardy in order that an accused person might once and for all confront the court and the jury and thereafter be free from further jeopardy for the same offense, no matter whether the court and jury reach the right conclusion or not.

The District Attorney saved an exception to the decision and can, under the new law for appeals by the government, take the case to the Supreme Court if he desires.

"Such an action would be valuable," said Judge Woodruff this morning, "since it is always well to have the lower judges corroborated or corrected authoritatively when they are obliged to decide upon new points of law."

Knights of Pythias Elect Officers.

The annual election of officers of Aloha Lodge No. 3, Knights of Pythias was held in their castle hall Saturday.

The following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing year: L. M. Baldwin, C. C.; E. F. Deinert, V. C.; C. Hansen, P.; Wm. Ault, M. of W.; D. L. Meyer, M. of F.; C. D. Lufkin, M. of E.; J. J. Walsh, K. of R. & S.; W. A. Sparks, M. at A.; R. A. Wadsworth, M. of W. assistant; H. Streubeck, J. Freitas and H. M. Coke, Hall Trustees; W. F. McConkey and J. H. Farrell, Physicians.

Peace to the earth, goodwill to men,
From Heaven's all gracious King;
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

Compliments of the Season

The Maui News

to all its Friends, present
and prospective

1909-1910

Dickey Davis Entertained

By the Members of the
Knights of Pythias.

One of the most thoroughly enjoyed social events of the season was a farewell party given by the Knights of Pythias at their castle hall in honor of D. H. Davis.

Choice Hawaiian music was furnished by the Lanikua Quintet Club of which Mr. Carl F. Rose is manager.

Cards and dancing were indulged in until a late hour. Excellent refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis are one of the most popular young couples of Maui.

Mr. Davis leaves Maui to take a much better position in Honolulu.

Schools Institute Course of History.

California history will receive the comprehensive study it deserves if the example set by the Stockton schools is followed generally throughout the State. Under the auspices of the committee on history and relics of the "Rush of '49" organization, a booklet was issued and distributed among the schools of the State giving an outline for a study of the history of California. Standard works were listed for the benefit of teachers and students, and quotations were made from them. The scope of the booklet is determinable from the following list of topics treated: discovery and early exploration; Spanish California (1767-1822); California (1822-1846), from cession by Spanish to Mexico, to war between Mexico and the United States; transition period (1846-1850), from beginning of war to admission of California as a state; California (1850-1861), with the organization of state and county governments, etc.; "Rush of '49", with statistics about population, descriptions of character of the miners, their dress and equipment, means of travel, houses, methods of mining, administration of justice, and social life; the southern mines, with description of the various towns and districts. A very interesting feature is a list of prices charged for food, clothing and supplies.

It was the idea of the Stockton people that perhaps undue importance is attached to the study of ancient history of other countries and that much of the time devoted to it could be spent to better purpose in reading the early history of the state which plays so im-

Lahaina Jottings

Supervisors are on Tour of
Inspection.

Miss K. Burnham of the Normal School is visiting her parents at Lahaina.

The Supervisors spent Friday and Saturday of last week inspecting school property, the courthouse, jail, streets, etc. of Lahaina. Mr. Pogue has been inspecting ever since the third of December.

Banker Lufkin was in town on Saturday on his way home from Honolulu.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dunn have received a very pretty center piece from Mr. Dunn's brother Edward Dunn of Honolulu. It has nine different kinds of wood and is made up of one hundred and eighty-nine pieces. It is highly polished. Mrs. Dunn is much pleased with her Xmas gift.

The Rev. Canon Ault was in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Kroll have returned home with their little boy Leopold who had a successful operation at the Queen's Hospital for appendicitis. The little fellow acted very bravely in undergoing the operation.

Miss Miriam Hall the pianist of Honolulu passed through Lahaina last Saturday on her way home from Wailuku where she greatly enjoyed the society of the good people of our county capital.

Miss MacDonald of the Normal School is visiting at Lahaina.

Professor Wilson of Lahaina returned home on Tuesday evening from Honolulu where he had been for a few days.

Professor Oleson of Oahu College passed Lahaina on Tuesday on his way to see the Volcano.

The wind made it rather lively for Lahaina on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. There were also several showers of rain.

portant a part in their lives. The California Promotion Committee is much in sympathy with the movement and is offering every encouragement it can to other counties to follow the lead of San Joaquin.

R. A. Wadsworth returned Saturday from Honolulu where he was in attendance at the annual convention of the Rubber Growers Association. He was accompanied home by his two sons David and Alfred who are back from Punahou College for the holidays.

Schultz, the harness maker was a passenger to Honolulu by the Claudine this week.

WOOD AT LAST GETS JUSTICE

After Pleading Guilty to Charge of Burglary Was
Sentenced in 1901 to Life Imprisonment
is Now Pardoned.

(SPECIAL TO THE MAUI NEWS.)

Sugar 96 deg. test 4.05 Beets 12s. 33d.

HONOLULU, December 24.—Several pardons including one for Wood who was sentenced by Judge Kalua for life for stealing will be granted. Gundelfinger is also an applicant.

Local opposition to the Carnegie library scheme is fast developing. Christmas sales have been greater than at any time in the history of Honolulu.

WASHINGTON, December 24.—Secretary Meyer favors 725 foot dock at Pearl Harbor. Congressman Foss wants one large enough to accommodate the largest vessels of the navy.

WASHINGTON, December 24.—In official circles it is intimated that this government views with disfavor the idea of Zelaya making Mexico an asylum. Steps may be taken to prevent his leaving on the Mexican gunboat.

BRUSSELS, December 24.—Albert I is king of Belgium.

PHILADELPHIA, December 24.—The big battle ship Utah was launched in the presence of a large number of distinguished persons yesterday.

OTTAWA, December 24.—Canada has purchased the British Cruiser Rainbow and is negotiating for another.

MANAGUA, December 24.—It is generally believed that ex-president Zelaya will leave tomorrow, probably on a Mexican gunboat.

The concert and dance which was to have been given on Saturday evening at the Town Hall was postponed on account of rain and will be held on Saturday December 25th at 7:30.

The steamer Mikahala will leave from Lahaina for Honolulu this week on Friday instead of Saturday. She will leave next week one day ahead also. The Mauna Kea will leave for Honolulu on Thursday, December 30, instead of Friday.

HONOLULU, December 23.—The wireless stations will be closed all day Christmas.

Road Supervisor Paele is charged with instigating forgery and with juggling money.

Judge Dole decides that the federal court still exists and proceeds with the hearing of cases.

HONOLULU, December 23.—The Thetis is due here Christmas. The Lurline will arrive in San Francisco Saturday.

The Wilhelmina will go first to Hilo. The Governor writes that Senator DePew will introduce the Hawaiian bill in the Senate.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 23.—The chief of the secret police was killed by a bomb.

WASHINGTON, December 23.—Tawney says the Panama Canal will cost \$375,000,000 and will be finished in 1915.

JACKSON, December 23.—Senator McLauren died here yesterday of heart disease.

CINCINNATI, December 23.—Warriner has plead guilty of embezzling \$643,000 and has been sentenced to six years imprisonment.

MANAGUA, December 23.—Zelaya has issued a manifesto claiming he resigns solely to keep Nicaragua from being invaded by a foreign power.

BUCHAREST, December 22.—The Roumanian prime minister has been shot and killed by an anarchist.

BLUEFIELD, December 22.—The loss of the army of Zelaya at the battle of Rama was 2600. The revolutionists captured all of the guns, 1500 rifles and one million rounds of ammunition. Generals Castillo and Gonzales are prisoners. Two Americans are reported killed. Surgeons from the Des Moines are looking after the wounded. Refugees are reported to be planning an invasion of Honduras.

BOMBAY, December 22.—Arthur Wickson, the chief magistrate, was assassinated by a native.

HONOLULU, December 22.—Doctor Atcherly, who was to have been released on condition that he go to the coast has been denied steamer passage on the Oceanic line and will remain in the asylum.

Road Supervisor Paele may face a criminal charge which Mayor Fern will not allow to be made public.

The Kauai Railway Company may make a new issue of bonds.

The Chinese Consul received his commission by cable.

Judge De Bolte denies ever having spoken of a promise from Frear that he should have Wilder's place. He says Frear never promised and he says he never said he had.

Pilot Macauley is free from all blame in connection with the grounding of the Celtic Chief.

The federal court and the supreme court are closed on account of the absence of judges.

The Hilonian arrived yesterday afternoon.

BLUEFIELD, December 22.—The revolutionary forces under Estrada have completely routed Zelaya's army. The revolutionists on the firing line were commanded by American officers.

COPENHAGEN, December 22.—Doctor Cook has been branded an imposter by scientists of the University after a full investigation of his diary and his reports. He is said to have made \$80,000 by his fake.